

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 5 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Reference is made to commonly assigned, co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial Number _____ 10/759,896 by Richard J. Kapusniak et al. (~~Docket 87532~~) filed of even date herewith, titled "InkJet Recording Element Comprising Subbing Layer and Printing Method" and U.S. Patent Application Serial Number _____ 10/758,720 by Richard J. Kapusniak et al. (~~Docket 87005~~) filed of even date herewith, titled "Mordanted InkJet Recording Element and Printing Method."

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The aluminosilicate of the present invention includes materials termed "synthetic ~~alluphane~~ allophane" or "allophane like." Synthetic allophane is typically in the form of substantially spherically or ring shaped aluminosilicate particles, including hollow spherical aluminosilicate particles, preferably having an average diameter of between 3.5 and 5.5 nm. In addition, synthetic allophanes, like natural allophanes, are substantially amorphous (P. Bayliss, Can. Mineral. Mag., 1987, 327), compared to, for example, imogolites which are crystalline and fibril shaped. Synthetic allophane differs from natural allophane (such as Allophosite® sold by Sigma) in that it does not contain iron. It may also be more amorphous and acidic. --